

THE ESTANCIA NEWS

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INCORPORATE

Have Complete Set of Records in every Detail of the Work

The Brumback Abstract, Realty and Insurance Company has filed articles of incorporation with the territorial secretary having incorporated under the laws of the territory. The new company is capitalized at \$10,000.00, Mrs. Minnie Brumback and W. E. Brumback of Estancia and Chas. F. Easley of Santa Fe being the incorporators. The company will do a general abstract, real estate and insurance business. For some months past Mr. Brumback has been working on the record books, taking the realty transfers from the records in the probate clerk's office, and has a set of books as complete as it is possible to make them. These are kept up-to-date by adding every transfer recorded each day it is recorded, so that patrons may be assured of getting their abstracts right up to the minute. One not accustomed to such work has no idea of the amount of labor necessary to perfect a set of books of this kind. The honest business methods of the incorporators, backed by the security attained through incorporation presages success in a large measure for the new firm.

Patterns and Motives

Patterns and Motives was the subject of a strong discourse delivered by Rev. B. F. Summers, of the local M. E. church, recently, in which he struck effective blows at Satan's strongholds. Taking for his text Ephesians 4:1-16, he showed that there must be a motive to work and a pattern after which to model; that the Apostle insists on unity and purity; that the true Christian is the faithful friend of all Christians and the sworn enemy to sin. "Lowliness, meekness, long-suffering and forbearing one another in love," said the speaker, "are means of unity." In explaining these terms it was shown that lowliness is opposed to pride; meekness is that disposition making men unwilling to provoke others and to be provoked by others; long-suffering implies patiently bearing injuries without seeking to be revenged; forbearing one another in love signifies bearing infirmities out of a principle of love.

In unity of the Church is the strength of the Church. Each member may be weak, but many slender twigs bound together become strong, not necessarily of the same size and length, but united.

Christ is the standard or measure, everyone should pattern and model after Him. The perfecting of the saints, unity of faith and knowledge of the Son of God will build up and strengthen the individual members and the Church.

Revival Services

Special Services will begin at the local Baptist Church tomorrow night, Saturday, February 26, 1910. Frederick F. Grim, Superintendent of Missions for the Christian Church in New Mexico will speak on "First Steps in the Saving of a Community." Song service begins at 7:30 o'clock. All are invited.

E. Romero arrived Thursday evening from Las Vegas.

Surprise Party.

A party of about twenty-five young people made a visit to the Pence home about one and a half miles south of Estancia last Friday night, completely surprising Miss Esther, it being her birthday. The evening was pleasantly spent in games, after which refreshments were served. The guests left at a late hour, praising the family for their hospitality.

Estancia Teachers Meetings Interesting

The Teachers Reading Circle of Estancia which meets every Wednesday evening at 4 o'clock has been holding some interesting and instructive sessions during the past few weeks. Mr. T. N. Russell is the president and Miss Zella Roberts, secretary of the Circle. The books adopted by the Territorial Board of Education, "The Recitation," by Brumbaugh, and "Civics and Health," by Allen, are being studied. At the meeting next Wednesday afternoon Part II of "Civics and Health" will be completed.

Flags Floating

Flag poles were put up both on the school grounds and at the jail on Monday of this week, in time to carry the flags on Washington's Birthday. Several who saw the flags floating on Monday thought the school and jail had gotten a head of the calendar, until they learned that the poles were merely being tested. The flags floated all day long Tuesday.

Ball Enjoyed by Those Present

The dance given by the New Mexico Central Employees on Tuesday night proved an entertaining affair, almost one hundred couples being in attendance. Everyone present seemed to be having the time of his life, the remark having been overheard, "It is too bad to have Washington's birthday only once a year." The fourth annual ball to be given by the boys in 1911, was announced during the evening.

Miss Edna Green has been confined to her home by an attack of erysipelas.

Mrs. Julius Meyer has improved sufficiently to be able to sit up a little while each day.

Milton Dow, manager of the Estancia Mercantile Company, has been in Albuquerque on business this week.

Charles L. Burt, Superintendent of Schools of Torrance County, accompanied by Mrs. Burt, came over from Mountainair Thursday.

The southbound train yesterday was several hours late, on account of the frame of the tender trucks of the engine breaking near Stanley. An engine and coach was sent north, which brought down passengers, mail and express.

Wm. McIntosh is probably the oldest permanent settler in the Estancia Valley, aside from the natives. He has been here 31 years. Wm. Dunbar came soon after. Angus McGillivray was probably next. He has been here about 23 years. These are all of Scotch descent, and thoroughly reliable citizens.

STATEHOOD WITH A STRING POOR CONSOLATION

Senate Bill, according to Las Vegas Daily, Grants Statehood on Terms which Cannot and Should Not be Accepted by Citizens of the Territories

NEW STATE MUST SAY PLEASE ALWAYS

Unless Amended, the Bill Would Work Hardships on People for All Time to Come by Admitting Territories on Unequal Footing with Older States

According to the Las Vegas Optic, the statehood bill is far from as perfect a document as the people of New Mexico would desire. Unless some grave changes are made before the passage of the Enabling Act, there will be a number of our people who will vote against the measure, possibly sufficient to turn it down. The Optic says:

"Reports that have reached our ears from Washington from time to time indicate that the bill that was recently introduced in the senate is the measure that is favored by the administration as well as by Beveridge, Albrich, et al. This is a pretty tough dose to swallow. It is almost inconceivable that a body of men of the intelligence and reputed open-mindedness of the lawmakers at Washington could countenance for a moment the bill that was introduced by Mr. Dillingham as proxy for Mr. Beveridge. A cursory glance at the measure will convince any fair minded person that the individual who was responsible for its creation was suffering from a chronic attack of mental indigestion superinduced by the atrocious belief that all men in New Mexico are positively dishonest, and that they will remain so.

"One of the greatest pieces of sarcasm that has ever emanated from the classic walls of our national legislature is to be found in the summary of the purpose of the bill. It reads: 'A bill to enable the people of New Mexico to form a constitution and state government and be admitted into the Union on an equal footing with the original states.' If even the linotype man who set that up knew the contents of the bill he must have been compelled to go outside to breathe a little fresh air before proceeding. The body of the measure begins in smooth and polite phrase, runs through provisions about 'perfect toleration of religious sentiment,' prohibition of polygamous marriages, and the like without a hitch. It reads beautifully. But on the fifth page it requires that no legislature of the proposed state of New Mexico shall ever pass any law in any manner validating or legalizing any territorial, county or municipal indebtedness that is now or may be invalid or illegal. Now we have no axe to grind in this matter and so are trying to speak without bias. But it is hard to do so, for in that very clause congress is prohibiting the future state of New Mexico from doing in a just way, if necessary, what congress has already done in an unjust way for Pima county, Arizona. There congress validated an invalid bond issue for which the county never received a single cent's worth of value.

"There is also a provision that the capital shall never be moved from Santa Fe except by vote of the people. We are not saying that we are in favor of the removal of the capital from the Ancient City, but we do say that this is an entirely novel provision in the history of enabling acts. The legislature ordinarily has the power to change the location of

the seat of government. But that is not the worst. On page six there is a paragraph of meaningless jargon about the reclamation act, and on page seven there is a provision that the state constitution shall never be amended as to this jargon without the consent of congress. It means that the sovereign state of New Mexico will be absolutely precluded and prohibited from amending its own constitution without first saying please to congress. That is certainly statehood with a rope tied to it. But the worst is not yet.

"A paragraph relating to lands that are granted to the state reads as follows: 'Said lands shall not be sold or leased, in whole or in part, except to the highest and best bidder at a public auction to be held at the county seat of a county wherein the lands to be affected, or the major portion thereof, shall lie, notice of which public auction shall first have been duly given by advertisement which shall set forth the nature, time and place of the transaction to be had, with a full description of the lands to be offered, and be published once each week for not less than ten consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation published regularly at the state capital, and that newspaper of like circulation which shall then be regularly published nearest the location of such lands so offered.' Now just study that a moment and think about the things that follow. Under another provision not more than 640 acres can be leased in any one tract. At the present time the lands in this territory lease for 5 cents per acre per year on an average. That is, every 640 acre tract brings a gross rental of \$32. Now the bright business man who framed the above clause in the enabling act has provided means to safeguard the leasing of our state lands that will cost almost if not all they are worth to the state, in gross income. Verily, the people of New Mexico are so bad, so little to be trusted that the leasing of lands must be so safeguarded that all the revenue will be eaten up in the expense of administration. The excess is to go to the school fund, so the act says, but we are afraid that after a year or two of experience under such an act the school fund will owe money to the public land fund.

"And there is still another wise provision. On page seventeen of this bill it is provided that no lands which are now or may hereafter become valuable for the development of water power and which have heretofore been granted to the territory or are by this bill granted to the state, shall be subject to disposition by the state, and any conveyance or transfer of such lands by said state or any officer thereof shall be absolutely null and void. If this is to be interpreted correctly it means that if fifty years from now a piece of land in San Miguel county shall be found to have become valuable for the development of water power it would have to be given up, and every transfer through which it

Passed a Pleasant Evening.

On Tuesday night, Washington's birthday, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Dow entertained a number of Estancia young people at their home in Estancia, in honor of Miss Lillie, who has been attending school in Albuquerque, and is now at home on a vacation. Delicious refreshments were served and altogether a very pleasant evening was enjoyed by all.

Monthly Report of Blaney School

Report of the Blaney School for the month ending February 18, 1910:

Number enrolled, 30; average attendance, 23. The following are on the roll of honor: Ethelyn Riley, Reagan Riley, Winnie Riley, Harry Averill, Alice Averill, Naomi Pugh and Roger Drury. To secure their names on the Roll of Honor, pupils must be perfect in attendance, make an average of not less than 85 in their studies and above 90 in deportment.

All patrons are cordially invited to visit the school.

Mary Drury, Teacher.

Some Pie Eaters

A pie-eating contest was pulled off last Sunday evening, which had it been advertised would have drawn quite a number of spectators. Breezy met Slim at the Estancia Bakery and bantered him on a pie eating contest, the loser to pay for the pies. Slim would not be worsted as easily as that and the fun started. After each had eaten two and a quarter (twenty-cent) pies, Baker Tuttle thought to help the good thing along, so offered to give each a piece of pie, if they would eat it. Not caring to turn down an offer of free pie, both cleaned this up, making in all five pies consumed by the two. Breezy paid the bill.

Mrs. J. M. Carlisle returned home yesterday from a visit with relatives in Oklahoma. She was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Anna Rausin and children. Jim met them at Willard.

had passed in the interim would be null and void. That we think is a very injurious, foolish and senseless provision. If the provision read that all lands which are now valuable for the development of water power shall not be included in the grant of lands made in the enabling act there then would be some show of reason in it. The other way it is unjust, unfair and unreasonable.

"These are some of the principal criticisms that we have to bring against the enabling act in its present form. It is notable principally for the spirit in which it was evidently drawn; about the same spirit in which a lawyer would draw a contract by which he wished to bind a crook or an imbecile. It is to be hoped that the bill will undergo a complete metamorphosis before it is enacted into law.

"The Republican central committee should consider this bill carefully and do what can be done to have some radical changes made in it. We feel that the act as it now stands constitutes a most serious reflection upon the people of New Mexico; and we think that the source of that undeserved reflection will most likely be found to be the narrow mind that is concealed beneath the waving locks of the senator from Indiana."

CUPID USES TELEPHONE

And Plays Winning Game Defying Orders forbidding Loafing

Cupid, he of the quiver and arrows, makes little pretense or show, but is probably the busiest little fellow going. Well might he laugh and laugh heartily at the notices posted in the telephone exchange, "No Loafing Allowed". What cares he for such notices? He merely found a convenient place on the mountain line and there perched himself to await developments. While Dr. C. J. Amble of Manzano made a number of business visits to the county seat during recent months, probably more of the business Cupid was watching was being transacted over the phone. But be that as it may, a local in the Albuquerque dailies of Wednesday tells the tale; "Dr. Christian J. Amble of Manzano and Miss Lena Rivers Booth of Estancia were granted a marriage license yesterday by County Clerk A. E. Walker."

When Miss Booth left for Albuquerque last week only a few intimate friends knew that she was being led thither by Don Cupid. A few guessed the real purpose of her visit.

Dr. Amble has been a resident of the Estancia Valley for about six years past, enjoying a lucrative medical practice along the western foothills, making his headquarters at Manzano. His bride is the elder daughter of Mrs. Dora Booth, who has been a resident of Estancia almost seven years. As a school-girl Miss Booth "played the angel" for two years in the News Office, just after launching of the News in 1904, and proved herself a splendid and conscientious worker.

The News joins a host of friends in wishing for Dr. and Mrs. Amble a long life filled with joy and happiness.

Election Proclamation.

Office of the Board of County Commissioners, of Torrance County, New Mexico, February 7, 1910.

An election of the qualified voters of the village of Estancia, Torrance county, New Mexico, is hereby called to be held at the office of the Estancia News, in said village, on the twenty-eighth day of February, 1910, for the purpose of electing the following officials, to-wit:

One mayor for the term of one year.

One clerk for the term of one year.

Two trustees for the term of one year.

Two trustees for the term of two years.

The polling place shall be open from the hour of 9 o'clock a. m. until 6 o'clock p. m. of said day.

Said election shall be held in conformity with the laws of New Mexico now established.

By order of the Board of County Commissioners, this 7th day of February, 1910.

Ed. W. Roberson, Clerk,
By F. A. Chavez, Deputy.

W. P. Compton left yesterday for a visit at Pittsburg, Oklahoma. He came in and subscribed for the News to keep posted on affairs here while away.

Chas. R. Easley went to Willard on business Thursday.